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TELEGRAMS

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The death is announced of General Lord William Seymour, K.C.V.O.

In East Prussia, the Russians have repulsed the Germans, almost exterminating a battalion.

A statement issued by the Foreign Office regarding the use of neutral flags is given on this page.

The Russian Duma has been re-opened amid brilliant scenes and great demonstrations of patriotism.

The Pretoria News announces that the Germans have executed the rebel leader Maritz for treachery.

In the Prussian Diet, Herr Hirsch, Socialist, declared that the termination of the war was demanded by all peoples.

In the Lupkow Pass, in the Carpathians, the Russians captured 5,269 prisoners, with 18 mitrailleuses, on the 8th inst.

Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, says that Germany has lost two and a quarter millions of her best and bravest soldiers.

Judging from the abandoned corpses, the Germans apparently lost tens of thousands during the six days of the attack on Borjmo, Goumine, and Volia-shidlowka.

In the Takholka Pass, the Russians dislodged the enemy after prolonged bayonet fighting of a nature unprecedented in history. The enemy's losses were excessively serious.

It is said that America's view regarding the hoisting of the United States flag on the Lusitania is that the use of other flags by ships of warring nations is a customary practice.

NEWS.

Further notes on the crisis appear on page 4.

This morning's training times are given in this issue.

General news and the report on the Komagata Maru affair appear on page 3.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, commercial news on page 9 and log book on page 6.

Interesting news from our Canton correspondent appears elsewhere.

A further instalment of the article on "Old Hongkong" appears on page 4.

The annual distribution of prizes took place at St. Paul's College last night.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
"The Grotesques," Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale of one Steel Bridge—H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.—G. P. Lammett—11 a.m.
Sale of Wines and Spirits etc.—G. P. Lammett's Sales Room—noon.

Monday, February 15
Italian Grand Opera Co.—Theatre Royal.

Saturday, February 20
Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—City Hall—noon.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE ALLIES' UNBOUNDED CONFIDENCE.

STIRRING PARLIAMENTARY SCENES.

German Socialist Demands Cessation of War.

LATEST FRENCH AND RUSSIAN REPORTS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

Latest Russian Communique.

Feb. 11, 1.30 a.m.

A Petrograd communique says:—
Fighting has continued at Ladohnen, Rogupenen and Asohala in East Prussia.
There is nothing important elsewhere to be reported on the right bank of the Vistula or on the left bank.
The Russians are pressing the enemy in the districts of Dakline, Lupkow and Usjok.
In the Carpathians we continue to press. We have captured another 1,523 prisoners, several mitrailleuses and one mortar.

Good Work by Mines.

Feb. 11, 12.55 a.m.

The Paris evening communique states:—
We exploded three mines on Tuesday night at La Boisselle and occupied the cavities caused by the explosions, despite a counter-attack, which we repulsed with the bayonet.
In Argonne, there have been cannonade and bomb-dropping on both sides, particularly in the region of Polanotte and Bagatelle.

Germans Repulsed.

The Germans made a violent but fruitless attack on the Marie Theres work.

Our outposts easily repulsed a German attack in Lorraine, on the north side of Parroy forest.

A small affair at Manonville ended in our Hussars pursuing the enemy.

An attack by the Germans at Hintonelle, in the Vosges, was repulsed.

Russian Determination.

Feb. 11, 8.58 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd reports that the enthusiasm exhibited in the Duma was a great contrast to the spirit prevailing in the Prussian Diet. It was unanimously resolved to salute the glorious exploits of soldiers and sailors, and to send the most cordial greetings to the Allies, declaring the inflexible determination of Russia to carry on the war until conditions have been imposed on the enemy assuring the peace of Europe and the restoration of right and justice.

Speakers on behalf of the peasants said that the latter were willing to make any sacrifice to remove the German menace.

The Liberal, M. Milinkoff, stated that he was convinced that in good time Russia would be guaranteed the acquisition of the Straits (the Dardanelles) and Constantinople, both for military and diplomatic reasons.—(Prolonged cheers).

French Reports.

(Havas Telegrams.)

Feb. 8, 6.10 p.m.

From the sea to the Oise violent artillery duels prevailed. On the outskirts of La Bassée, near Areny, we took a German trench, the defenders of which were either killed or captured.

Intermittent bombardment took place on the Aisne and Champagne fronts.

In Argonne, our fire was very accurate. We repulsed an attack near Fontaine-Madame. A very violent action took place near Bagatelle. We hold the ground everywhere.

Feb. 9, 5.40 p.m.

French Government Stock now stands at Fr. 71.95.
In Belgium intermittent artillery struggles prevailed, the Belgian artillery destroying a farm, the defenders of which fled.

The Germans bombarded Ypres and Furnes.

In Argonne, fighting took place around Bagatelle, rather confused positions being maintained on both sides.

TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Official Telegram from French Government, via Peking.)

On the 8th, intermittent artillery fighting prevailed in Belgium. The Germans cannonaded Ypres and Furnes. The French batteries dispersed German convoys. The French recaptured on the Bethune-La Bassée road, a windmill where the enemy had established himself. The French artillery between the Oise and the Aisne brought down a Tauba, which fell ablaze in the German lines. The enemy bombarded Soissons with incendiary missiles.

Fighting is proceeding around Bagatelle and is developing in the very interior of the forest. From one side to the other, and has been maintained since with the same fierceness. The troops engaged in this fighting are only three to four battalions strong and a single French battalion led the struggle on the 8th.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

Opening of the Duma.

Feb. 9, 9.40 p.m.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that the Duma opened in the afternoon amid brilliant scenes. The whole assembly rose, repeatedly cheered for the Czar and sang the National Anthem.

The President made a patriotic speech, during which all references to the Allies were loudly cheered.

The representatives of the Allies who were present received an ovation.

The Premier, M. Goryemkin, said the Russian people were now absolutely convinced of a final triumph and "we have not yet exerted our full strength."

M. Sazonoff, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, dwelt upon the unanimity of the Allies which, he said, would continue till victory was assured. He also emphasized the cordiality of Russia's relations with Greece and Roumania and referred to the fact that public opinion in non-combatant countries, whose interests were on the side of the Entente, was already in pronounced favour of embracing the cause of Russia and the Allies, but, he said, it was for their Governments alone to take the final decision and not to miss an opportunity of realizing their national aspirations.

M. Sazonoff said that Anglo-Russian relations as regarded Persia were more cordial than ever. He also paid a tribute to the co-operation of Japan, whose relations with China were, he said, not contrary to the interests of Russia. He hoped shortly to be able to announce the conclusion of a triple Russo-Chinese-Mongolian Treaty.

During the course of the proceedings the members frequently cheered the British, French and Japanese ambassadors, who were seated in the gallery of the House.

Enthusiasm in Ottawa.

Feb. 9, 10.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Ottawa telegraphs that, in the House of Commons, Sir R. L. Borden, the premier, read, amid enthusiasm, a message from Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, stating that Germany has already lost two and a quarter millions of her best and bravest soldiers and any fresh effort must be made with her against her inferior and disheartened troops. Germany, he said, is now feeling economic pressure, thanks to our navy, and Austria has feeling of even less account. The power of Britain and her allies increases daily, whereas the power of Germany is waning, though the vast resources of the British Empire have not yet been called into play. The splendid contingents from the Dominions, with the new armies of the Mother Country, should wield a preponderating influence on the ultimate decision.

The premier then, in an eloquent speech, said the fact of the Empire having held firm was utterly disappointing to Prussian expectations. The great Dominions are not only fighting for our institutions, our freedom and our destiny, but for a world-wide cause against which no one would dare to doubt the issue (loud and prolonged cheers).

German Socialists Want Peace.

Feb. 9, 10.20 p.m.

At the opening of the Prussian Diet there was a crowded attendance.

The Socialist member, Herr Hirsch, demanded a reform in the Government's policy regarding workmen, and declared that the termination of the war was demanded by all peoples.

A Conservative member then made an appeal for unity, whereupon the Socialist, Dr. Liebknecht, interrupted with "You have no right to speak in the name of the people."

A great commotion followed.

LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

The Use of the U. S. Flag.

Feb. 9, 10.40 p.m.

A message from Reuter's Washington correspondent states that he has it on the highest authority that the Administration's view of the hoisting of the United States flag on the Cunard liner Lusitania is that the use of other flags by the ships of the warring nations is such a customary practice that no formal protest need be made, but it is proper to send Great Britain a Note pointing out the dangers to neutral shipping if the practice is continued.

"Nothing Important."

Feb. 10, 12.50 a.m.

Last evening's official communique states there is nothing important to report, except that we blew up a mine gallery where the enemy was working, in front of Fay, to the south-west of Peronne.

Enemy's Losses "Excessively Serious."

Feb. 10, 12.50 a.m.

A Petrograd communique states that the Germans, who had been gradually concentrating fresh troops in East Prussia, took up a strong offensive on the 7th inst. on the front from Horzele to Johannsburg, delivering simultaneous attacks on two wings, namely, in the district of Ladohnen and the Rypine railways.

We repulsed the former, almost exterminating a battalion, and our cavalry, after the latter attack, concentrated towards Serpetz.

The enemy undertook no active operations on the left bank of the Vistula on the 8th.

Judging from the numbers of abandoned corpses, the enemy apparently lost tens of thousands during their six days' attacks at Borjmo, Goumine and Volia-shidlowka.

Fighting in the Carpathians continues.

In the region of Bartfeld and Svidnik the enemy attempted an attack but retired, being unable to support the fierceness of the fighting, and abandoning prisoners.

Our offensive at the Lupkow Pass, in the Carpathians, continued during the 8th inst. when we captured 5,269 prisoners and eighteen mitrailleuses.

German columns, having crossed the Takholka Pass, delivered on the 7th inst. no less than twenty-two violent attacks against the heights in the region of Korzimoka. Advancing in massed formations, several ranks deep, the enemy, under our violent cross-fire, twice captured one of the heights, but were dislodged by a counter-attack by our infantry, after prolonged bayonet fighting, which is unprecedented in history.

The enemy's losses were excessively serious.

The enemy's attacks in the direction of Wyschkowo were also repulsed.

Maritz Executed by Germans.

Feb. 10, 12.40 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Pretoria telegraphs that the Pretoria News announces that the Germans have executed the rebel leader Maritz for treachery.

Foreign Office Statement Regarding use of Neutral Flag.

(Official Telegram from the British Foreign Office.)

Feb. 9.

The following statement is issued by the Foreign Office:—The use of a neutral flag is, with certain limitations, well established in practice as a *ruse de guerre*. The only effect in the case of a merchantman wearing a flag other than her national flag is to compel the enemy to follow the ordinary obligations of naval warfare and to satisfy himself as to the nationality of the vessel and the character of her cargo by examination before capturing her and taking her into a prize court for adjudication.

The British Government has always considered the use of British colours by a foreign vessel legitimate for the purpose of escaping capture. Such a practice not only involves no breach of International Law but is specifically recognised by the law of this country. In the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, it is enacted as follows:—"If a person uses the British flag and assumes a British national character on board a ship owned in whole or in part by any persons not qualified to own a British ship, for the purpose of making the ship appear to be a British ship, it shall be subject to forfeiture under this Act unless assumption has been made for the purpose of escaping capture by an enemy or by a foreign ship of war in the exercise of some belligerent right." And in Instructions to British Consuls, 1914, it is stated:—"A ship is liable to capture if British character is improperly assumed except for the purpose of escaping capture."

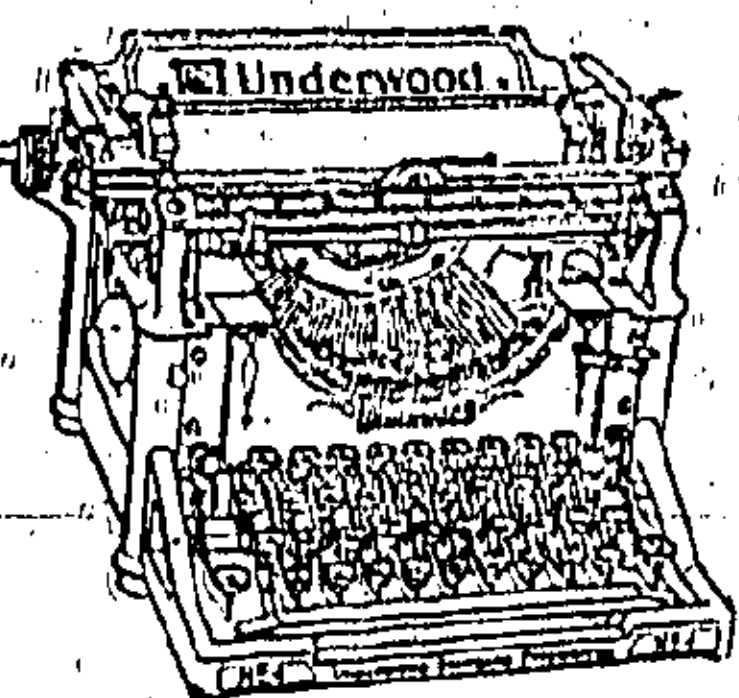
As we have in practice not objected to foreign merchant vessels using the British merchant flag as a *ruse* for the purpose of evading capture at sea at the hands of a belligerent, so we should maintain that, in the converse case, a British merchant vessel has committed no breach of the rules of International Law in assuming neutral colours for a similar purpose, if she thought fit to do so. By the rules of International Law, the customs of war and the dictates of humanity, it is obligatory upon a belligerent to ascertain the character of a merchant vessel and of her cargo before capture.

Germany has no right to disregard this obligation. To destroy a ship with non-combatant crew and cargo, as Germany has announced her intention of doing, is nothing less than an act of piracy on the high seas.

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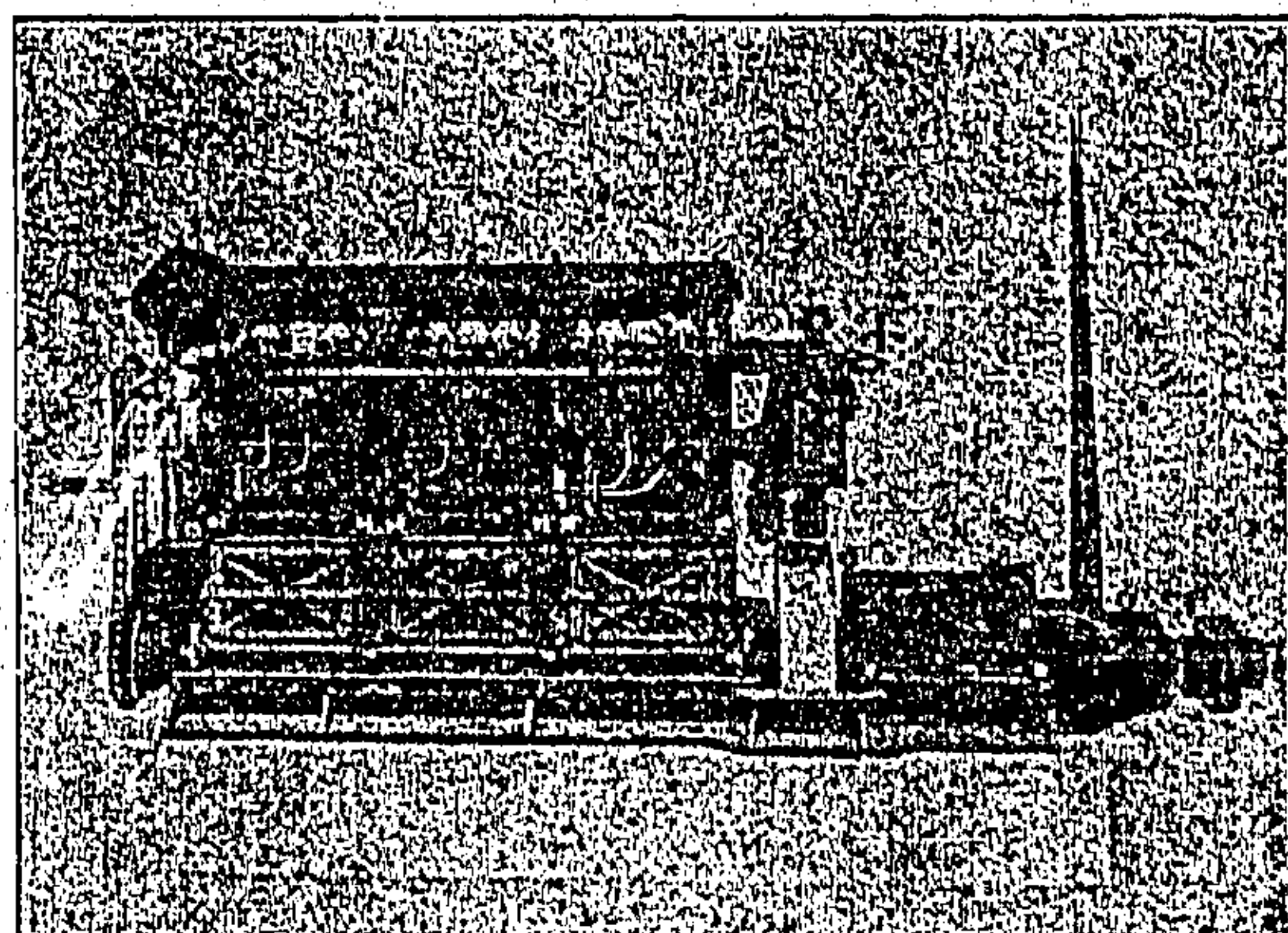
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every effort should be made to
capture German trade at the
present moment are not slow in
denouncing the attitude taken up
in regard to German trade in the
East, because it is obvious that
the closing of German firms in the
Colony has by no means put a
stop to the stream of German
trade in the immediate vicinity;
indeed, it has been suggested
that previous to the war the
British banks financed German
firms to the hilt, and it is common
knowledge that they are the
principal creditors of these firms
(in liquidation) at the present
moment. One wonders not only
where the Germans receive their
backing but how much those who
have backed them have lost, or
will lose, by having been so con-
fiding and accommodating. Un-
fortunately, the law which exists
has to be administered, and it
bestows upon energetic and very
often unscrupulous Germans
privileges which most of the
British people at the present
moment would certainly not en-
dorse.

Daily News.

The Campaign of "Frightfulness."
In thinking, however, to crush
resistance to their will by acts of
ferocity that carry us back for
their counterpart to the days of
Attila and his Huns, those direct-
ing the destinies of Germany have
shown themselves as hopelessly
mistaken as they were in their
estimate of the material forces
that would be arrayed against
them. Belgium, they argued,
was too weak to offer resistance,
and the British Empire was so torn
with dissension and disaffection
in Ireland, India, Egypt, and South
Africa, that her embarrassed
Statesmen, subservient to the will
of her degenerate people, would
eagerly clutch at any excuse for
keeping out of the fray. To their
dismay and surprise, they
have discovered that those whom
they despised have been the very
agents to frustrate their plans.
It was the heroic resistance of
Belgium that held back the Ger-
man advance until France and
Great Britain had time to take
the field, and it was the menace
from outside that closed the
British ranks within; and so, the
attempt to paralyze their enemies
with fear by displays of barbarity,
instead of producing the effects
desired, have inspired the troops of
the Allies with the feeling that they
are not merely waging a political
war, but are engaged in a Holy
Crusade to free humanity from
the curse of military despotism
and all that it implies.

China Mail.

Battleships versus Submarine

Boats.

In laying down the guiding
principles in the systematic build-
ing up of the United States Navy
the General Board of Admiralty
deals inferentially with the very
important question of submarine
versus battleships; but it may at
once be said that there seems no
doubt as to their opinion. "Com-
mand of the seas can only be gained
and held by vessels that can take
and keep the sea in all times and
in all weathers, and overcome the
strongest enemy vessels that may
be brought against them." That
has always been their view, and
they see no reason to modify it.
Other types are valuable, they state,
and have their particular uses, all of
which are indispensable, but limited
in character. "But what has been
true throughout the naval wars of
the past, and what is equally true
to-day, is that the backbone of
the navy that can command the
sea consists of the strongest sea-
going, sea-keeping ships of its
day—or, of its battleships." The
naval operations of the past few
months clearly establish that.
There can be no doubt that
Admiral von Spee's squadron
triumphed over Admiral Crad-
ock's ships by reason of their
superior striking force, associated
with greater speed and its at-
tendant tactical advantages; and,
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GENERAL NEWS.

The B. A. T. at Mukden.
The new factory of the British American Tobacco Co. at Mukden has its machinery under installation. The new plant will be ready for operation during next month.

Prince Joachim.
Prince Joachim, one of the younger sons of the Kaiser, who was seriously wounded by Turco troops in France more than a month ago, is stated to have returned to the firing line after recovering from his wounds.

Home-brewed Beer.
The new tax on beer has led to a revival among the cottages in Mid-Essex of the custom of brewing their own beer. In the villages of Shalford and Stisted, near Braintree, home brewing has become quite general, and several brews of such beer are already maturing for next Christmas consumption.

Colombo Military Wedding.
The wedding of Capt. Richard Guy Purcell, Royal Garrison Artillery, son of Colonel M. H. Purcell, late R. E., and Mrs. Purcell, and Miss Dorothy Fyfe Souter, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Alexander Fyfe Souter, of Westhall, Kilmale, and Mrs. Souter, of Perth, Nairn, Eliza, and sister of Mrs. F. W. Waldo, and Mrs. E. R. Waldo, of Colombo, took place at St. Michael's and All Angels', Polwatha, Ceylon, on January 20.

Sultan of Egypt's Resolve.
Cairo, January 2.—The Sultan of Egypt, in receiving the members of a Greek Catholic charitable society, said:—My efforts will be consecrated to the well-being of my people in general without distinction of any sort and without any difference between Syrian, Turk, Copt, or Mussulman. Know you that these words come from the bottom of my heart, and that all my acts will be inspired by the line of conduct of my grandfather, Mehmet Ali, who treated all communities and all foreign colonies in Egypt on an equal footing.

Passed by the Censor.
The Westminster Gazette says:—A little group gathered about the club tape watched the machine carefully spelling out the following:—huojwih 5 jiejoci 9 ihutwioal yt wiyj pignoxhmj-jayzel f Kjbh hsk-jwjbh hte 3 t-pji g9 xthnqxxy 5nqg pj mji ts ofzf9 ex fai no fy htuimjls. Suddenly springing into illumination the tape added:—The Press Bureau has no objection to the publication of the above, but takes no responsibility for its accuracy.

Old Singaporean's Death.
Another link with the past of Singapore has been severed, says the Straits Times, by the death in harness of Mr. R. C. Leicester, only son of the late E. B. Leicester, Jr., at the age of 74, of chronic interstitial nephritis, at the residence of his nephew in Fullerton Road. Deceased was for many years financial clerk in the Secretariat, which post he relinquished in order to set up in business. At the time of his death, he was manager of the Straits Granite Co., a syndicate of contractors and granite workers in which he had an interest, and although confined to his room, continued to devote himself to business until only a few days before his death. His only sister, Mrs. Holloway, survives him. The funeral, at Bidadari, was conducted by the Rev. G. Dexter Allen.

Loyal Persian Gulf Arabs.
Delhi, Jan. 8.
In reply to letters announcing the outbreak of war with Turkey and the occupation of Basra by a British force, the Political Agent in the Persian Gulf has received most cordial expressions of loyalty and devotion to the British cause. These came from the Sheikh of Bahrain and Kuwait, the Sultan of Muscat, the Chief of Kalir, and other chiefs. Persian Gulf news is to the effect that the success of the British arms at Basra caused unqualified joy among the Gulf Arabs generally.

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INDIAN EMIGRANTS.

The Komagata Maru Report.

Delhi, Jan. 16.—The report of the committee appointed to enquire into the voyage of the Komagata Maru with a number of Hindu emigrants from Hongkong to Vancouver, and thence back to India, and also the riot which occurred near Calcutta on September 27 last, has been published. It is found that most of the Indians proceeded to Vancouver in the belief that they would be allowed to land. The leaders of the expedition, however, were aware of the law, and deliberately misled the more ignorant of the passengers.

The judgment of Chief Justice Hunter, of the Canadian Courts, dated November, 1913, was also an important factor in giving rise to the idea that Asiatic emigrants could secure entrance into Canada.

The committee of enquiry was precluded from discussing the Canadian law on immigration, or the action of the Vancouver authorities. Its report shows, however, that the Indians behaved in a lawless and violent manner at Vancouver, and obstinately resisted the authorities. The emigrants were in a dangerous frame of mind when they left Vancouver, and intended to cause trouble in India on their arrival after the return journey.

The emigrants succeeded in obtaining from the Government of India, through the British Consulate at Kobe, free passages from Japan to Calcutta, and a large sum of money for provisions, although their statement as to their destitute condition would now seem to have been entirely incorrect.

On the arrival of the ship in the Hooghly arrangements were made, in accordance with the law recently enacted to prevent the emigrants from landing at Calcutta, and they were directed to proceed straight to their homes from Budge Budge, an outlying station 14 miles from Calcutta, a special free train being provided by the Government.

The passengers, however, refused to obey the lawful orders of the Government, and proceeded to force their way; but were met by a force of military police and persuaded to return. On their arrival again at Budge Budge, while arrangements for a train to convey them were being made, a number of the passengers opened fire on the police escorting them, without any justification. The report shows that the passengers had a number of firearms, which they concealed while the luggage was being examined, and these weapons must have been ready for immediate use when required.

As soon as it was possible without risk of injuring the police, 40 of the troops fired on the rioters, killing numbers of them, and dispersing the rest. Many were arrested on the spot, and others who fled to the adjacent districts were apprehended later. In all, 20 persons were killed in the riot, including two Europeans—Mr. Loxley, a railway officer, and

Superintendent Eastwood, of the Calcutta Police. Two outsiders, residents of Budge Budge, were accidentally killed, and two Indian police officers, and 20 of the returning emigrants. In addition to these 35 persons were injured, including several Europeans and police officers.

The conduct of the officers is commended, but the committee expresses the view that the emigrants should have been effectively searched for arms before they were permitted to land. The conduct of the troops was good, but it was to be regretted that the head constable of the Panjab Police was accidentally shot by the soldiers.

The committee states that the action of the Bengal Government in prohibiting the men from entering Calcutta was justified by the circumstances.

The Government of India, in a covering resolution, accepts the report as an eminently fair and judicial pronouncement, of which the findings are just and reasonable. It expresses the Government's cordial thanks to the committee, and while emphasising the wish to treat the returning emigrants with sympathy and consideration, regrets that their notice was misunderstood, and that this unfortunate loss of life had resulted owing to the folly of a few.

It is not intended to institute any prosecutions in respect of the riot, and the majority of the men concerned, who had been confined pending the enquiry, are being returned to their homes. The minority, consisting of the dangerous ringleaders, will be kept under restraint for the present.

Manila Official's Unfortunate Experience.

Mr. E. E. Schneider, of the Philippine Bureau of Forestry, who sailed from Manila recently to take charge of the forestry exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, was attacked, and robbed on the day following his arrival in San Francisco, according to letters received in Manila. The affair seems to have taken place in Ninth Street, San Francisco, and it was suspected that the robbery was committed by persons who were on the same transport with Mr. Schneider, and who, knowing that he had money on his person, only awaited the opportunity to take it from him by force.

New Steamship Service to the East.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Mr. Harrison, Governor-General of the Philippines, cables that he is informed that the Holland steamship line contemplates starting a line from New York via the Panama Canal to Manila and the Dutch East Indies. In reference to the foregoing, a contemporary thinks that this must be a mistake, and that probably the service in question is that between Java and New York, through the Suez Canal, undertaken by the Netherlands Steamship Co., and one boat of which left Java on Dec. 31.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1915.

THE SHANGHAI MEETING.

There is no inconsiderable significance in the news contained in our Shanghai correspondent's wire of yesterday. The meeting to which the telegram refers was called in connection with a movement, which has been in progress for some while, for forming a Shanghai branch of the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas. The enthusiasm wherewith a Britisher was rushed to the top of the poll at the recent Municipal Election in the Settlement is a sufficient indication, not only of the solidarity of the British element there, but of the sympathy that non-British residents feel towards the Empire. Bearing the result of the recent polling in mind, it is not difficult to understand how the meeting of which our correspondent now speaks should have been the largest and heartiest ever witnessed by Shanghai Britishers; or that ten different races should have been represented among the speakers.

There are many charges that can be laid against the Britisher who is away from home, but want of attachment to the Old Country is not one of them. He may wander far—very far—from home traditions, where religion, politics, morality are concerned; he may (and sometimes does) develop into a prig, a snob, a rogue or a ruffian; but it is not in him, wherever he goes, and whatever he does, to forget the two little islands away in the North Sea, which look so insignificant on the map and yet have so world-wide an influence. When the world is at peace he may speak in terms of disparagement of them, though it will not be well with a non-Briton who does so in his presence. The moment, however, that there is any question of those islands being in danger, all real or fancied grievances that he may have nourished disappear before the more important fact that he is a Britisher—with a duty to perform.

How well Britain's sons over seas have performed that duty, the wires from the front have told us. Men have gone to join the colours, literally from every corner of the habitable globe. But there are many others who, for one reason or another, cannot gird on the sword and hurry to do their mite towards upholding the cause of Homeland that is so dear to them. Cannot they do something else for it, then? The meeting at Shanghai is practically an answer to that question. The Dominions answered it long before war was ever thought of, by helping the Navy; and our neighbour, the Federated Malay States, answered it in like manner. And, since war broke out, every place where Britishers and non-British subjects of the Empire are gathered together—from the Gold Coast to Shanghai, and from Bermuda to New Zealand—has hastened to contribute funds which it was anxious to trust to Britain's keeping, for one purpose or another. But even the warmest and most loyal hearts can do more, by acting in unison than by separate, isolated or irregular effort; system is as necessary to patriots as to bankers, and the Patriotic League will not only serve to bind British subjects more closely together than ever, but it will provide just that very spirit of order and good counsel which is going to double the force with which Britishers can strike in their attempt to help the Empire.

Making Themselves a Nuisance.

That somewhat exotic but ever popular, writer, Victoria Cross, remarks, in one of her stories, that the Britisher's idea of enjoyment consists in doing something that will annoy or inconvenience other people. It is a harsh and a sweeping judgment, and one is glad to be able to feel that there are at least some exceptions to such a rule. It is, however, quite true that many Britishers seem constitutionally unable to understand the law of give and take, and that, when they are on pleasure bent, such persons are utterly regardless of the comfort or sensibilities of others. This point is well exemplified, almost any night in the week, at the Hongkong theatres, where the local "Nuts" are never so happy as when placing their feet on the backs of the seats of people in the row in front of them. Not content with that, they are usually most unwilling to let any popular tune pass without their signifying their appreciation of it by persistently beating time to it with their feet or their walking-sticks. Apart from the annoyance caused to other people in the audience, it is well that the numbers of Asiatics and Europeans who attend our theatres should have these exhibitions of British boomerangism forever thrust before their eyes and ears?

Robberies from Empty Houses.

Some of our readers who are property owners complain of the frequency with which robberies take place in unoccupied houses within the Colony. Many police, both in Hongkong and at Home, seem to labour under the delusion that when once a tenant has removed himself and his belongings from a house or flat there is no further need for the Law to keep its eye on the vacated premises. Seeing how often men are charged before the magistrates with removing window-sillings, door-knobs, electric light apparatus, piping, and a score of other fixtures, we think the Law might know better than to leave any "empty" house to take care of itself. The number of convictions for breaking into such premises is small in comparison with the frequency with which the robberies occur; and we would hint to the local police that a greater amount of watchfulness on their part might result in the harvesting of quite a crop of these enthusiastic collectors of house-fittings. We mention the matter just now, because we are on the verge of Chinese New Year: a time when curious hunters of this description usually look to find the police too much engaged to be able to attend to them and their hobbies.

An Absurd Proposal.

In our leading article yesterday we dealt in general terms with the decision of the Sanitary Board regarding the water carriage system, but there is one point which calls for particular notice—namely, the resolution to impose, hereafter, a tax of \$50 on every householder who goes to the pains of installing a water closet. A more preposterous suggestion has, we venture to say, never been recommended by the Board, and we hope that it will be quickly killed when the matter comes before the Legislative Council. Seeing that every householder who adopts this modern sanitary arrangement has to find his own independent water supply, and that the other expenses of installation are by no means small, encouragement rather than the reverse should be the attitude shown by the authorities to such people. And then if we take the purely financial side of the matter, we have it on the word of the Director of Public Works that the loss to the Colony in revenue for every household which adopts modern methods is only \$1.20 per annum, yet the Board proposes an annual fee of \$50 to balance affairs! The whole thing looks little better than sheer robbery. Above all else, why put a tax on cleanliness?

DAY BY DAY.

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The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 73; dull.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 66; dull.

Count the Columns.

Yesterday the *Telegraph* published 32 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

The Mails.

English Mail.—Due to arrive tomorrow at 5 p.m.
U. K. Mail.—Closed per s.s. Kamo Maru at 11 a.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Luchow at 3 p.m. to-day.
English Mail.—Closes per s.s. Oriental to-morrow at 11 a.m.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9.1-16d.

Seaman's Loss.

A Chinese seaman has reported to the Police the theft of money and clothing to the value of \$42 from his cubicle.

Drunken Watchman.

An Indian watchman, named Buddah, was fined five dollars this morning by Mr. Wood at the Police Court, for being drunk and incapable.

Birch Ordered.

A youth, aged sixteen years, charged before Mr. Wood with shoplifting from a shop in Wellington Street, was ordered to receive ten strokes of the birch.

Passing Bad Coin.

A Chinese was charged this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with passing counterfeit ten-cent pieces. He was sent to prison for six months with four hours' stocks.

To-morrow's Auctions.

To-morrow at 11 a.m. Mr. G. P. Lamert sells by auction a steel bridge, at the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown, and, at room, a quantity of liquors, at his sales rooms.

Coolie's Fall.

A coolie residing at Jarvoia Street has been sent to the Hospital suffering from injuries received through falling from the verandah of the second floor of a house while engaged in fixing electric lamps.

Raub Returns.

The following are the results of crushing operations at Raub for the four weeks ending 30th ult: Bukit Koman: stone crushed 6,275 tons, gold obtained 896 ozs., average per ton 2.855 dwts. Bukit Malacca: stone crushed 3,781 tons, gold obtained 370 ozs., average per ton 1.957 dwts.

Bijou Theatre.

Miss May Clarke's beautiful singing is drawing big audiences at the Bijou Theatre. She is a very versatile artiste, who can turn her hand—or, rather, her voice—to almost anything: light comedy, ballads, music-hall ditties or ragtime. In each of these she was equally popular last night; so much so that one encore song by no means satisfied her admiring hearers. We hope that a singer of such unusual ability will make a long stay in the Colony.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

STRIKING CONTRASTS.

Why the Allies are Hopeful.

The reassembling of the British, Canadian, Russian and Prussian Parliaments has provided us with a striking contrast of the feelings of the people in regard to the war. It shows that the Allies are filled with high hope concerning the future and that a gloomy depression broods over Germany. While in the Allies' Parliaments the speakers as one man voice their determination to see the struggle through to the bitter end, we find the proceedings in the Prussian Diet marked by wrangling and commotion and the Socialists clamouring for the cessation of the war, which, they infer, has not the support of the people. And yet a further contrast is to be found in the fact that both the British and French Socialists have expressed their sympathy with the cause of the Allies. The denunciation of the war by the German Socialists is all the more significant when it is observed that it was openly expressed in the Diet. When war broke out the Germans may have been, and probably were, as enthusiastic and united as the peoples of the Allied nations. But since then they have seen the flower of their manhood sacrificed to satisfy the foolish ambitions of a military clique, and to-day we hear the first mutterings of internal discord.

Causes of Depression.

A month ago the German official lists admitted casualties (totaling two million officers and men, and now we have it on the authority of Mr. Harcourt, in his message to the Canadians, that a further quarter of a million has been added to the roll. In other words, close on half of Germany's great active service Army has been accounted for. Is it any wonder that the people are beginning to tire of the war, especially since their armed forces are achieving nothing but failures? They have seen their manhood, their trade and their culture squandered, all to no purpose. In the hour when, enfeebled by losses and weak for supplies, all hope of the prize that dazzled them has been abandoned, they see the foe whom they have outraged gathering up their strength to prosecute the war to final victory. For here it must be remembered, as Mr. Harcourt has pointed out, that whereas the power of Germany is on the wane, the whole of the vast resources of the British Empire have not yet been called into play. And what is true of Britain is almost equally true of France and Russia, whose daily building up their reserves.

The Future.

The point of the moment is whether or not Germany's great adventure will expire in a grotesque fiasco. Can the Germans sustain such blows of adversity as their rulers have invited on their heads? Unlike Germany, the Allies can afford to leave political considerations out of account. The military situation is good enough for them—there is no doubt that the enemy is being held securely both east and west. And in the next few months, or may be weeks, Russia in the east and the Allies in the west will launch out on a big offensive. Then will come the invasion of the Netherlands. Germany must know that her resources of men and munitions have been irretrievably depleted and that the Allies are only on the point of realising theirs. With the facts thus, the outlook for Germany is black indeed. And everything shows that the Germans themselves know this all too well.

OLD HONGKONG.

Some Gambling Reflections.

(Continued from Tuesday.)

Gambling, through this Ordinance, became de facto a legalised institution in the Colony. Naturally, there was immediately an outcry against the establishment of the gambling farm, but a memorial on the subject only drew from the Government a reply that the Governor preferred addressing himself to the practical question of protecting property by suppressing meetings of illegal gamblers and retrieving the corrupted efficiency of the police. As a result, twelve new gambling houses were opened in various parts of the city. They were situated in Hollywood Road, at Saiyingspau, Queen's Road, Circular Buildings, Queen's Road, and near Gilman's Bazaar. There was no great rush when the houses first opened their doors. It would seem, indeed, as though gambling, being no longer forbidden fruit, was not going to prove so popular as had at first been anticipated. But soon it regained its old charm for men, and Europeans as well as Chinese put in regular appearances at the tables.

Enormous Revenue.

Naturally the Neoclassicist conscience at Home would not put up with this state of affairs, and soon the Home Government was worried with articles in some of the most influential papers. The local press did not put itself out about the matter, but the Chamber of Commerce wrote to the Government, the reply being given, at a meeting of the Legislative Council, by the Governor, who endeavoured to show the enormous revenue which was being derived from this source. In 1871, when the gaming house licences were put up for auction, the highest bidder secured the privilege for the sum of \$15,800 per month. Consequently the revenue from this monopoly amounted to \$180,800 per annum.

Licensed Gambling Stopped.

A year after this large sum was realised, the scheme was put a stop to, in an Ordinance which was claimed to have put a stop to the "licensed gambling scandal," probably unknown in any other British Colony. This does not justify any assumption that the people in the Colony were unable to gamble if they wanted to. The writer has met old residents who claimed to have gone to Samsui and Old Kowloon City for "clock-work" and fan-tan, while the latter place also added the attraction—for some—of an occasional execution on the beach. Again, as soon as the houses were closed down, private "clubs" were started and gambling on open spaces was resorted to, Tai-ping-shan, in particular, gaining for itself quite a healthy reputation.

The Police Accused.

Of course, all this time the Police had come in for a full share of abuse. They were alleged to be guilty of gambling in the houses and to be a most corrupt body. But, however that might be, there was certainly a change to be noted in the force after 1873. It may be that the commission had ventilated matters sufficiently, but the point is not without interest that in that year a strong Scotch element was spoken of as having recently been added to the force. The proportion of that element has never since decreased.

(To be continued.)

Rear-Admiral Byres.

The retirement of Rear-Admiral Cresswell John Byres, who has been unemployed since he vacated the post of commodore at Hongkong, has, says *Truth*, given Rear-Admiral Palmer his step. Admiral Byres still had another eight years to go before reaching the age limit, but there are so few openings for the employment of an officer of his rank who looks dreadnought service, that he has followed the example of several other flag officers who have retired by taking an R.N.B. commission as a captain, to enable him to see active service.

A SERIOUS FRANCE.

A Former Hongkong Resident in Paris.

"A serious France" sounds, in English ears, almost a contradiction in terms, for, to our British notions, France without gaiety is an impossibility. All the same, our brave Ally is taking matters with becoming gravity just now, and even Paris—even Montmartre—can find more time for church-going and for ministering to the wounded and the bereaved than for levity.

One of our readers has just received a letter from a former resident in Hongkong, which paints France as, before all things, the home of seriousness. The writer of the letter, on returning from the East, landed at Marseilles and there seems to have seen little else but persons in mourning, and wounded soldiers limping hither and thither. In Paris it was much the same. Her own home, like thousands of others, was broken up automatically, for the simple reason that her seven brothers are all serving their country. The youngest is reported "missing," but the remainder seem to have met with better luck. One brother is blind, but even he is busy making cartridges, while another—a railway superintendent—is employed in connection with shell-making, for which the railway workshops are now being used.

Paris, says the letter, now retires early. Shops, etc., close at 8 in the evening, the trams stop running at 8.30 and the last metropolitan train leaves at 9.30. In spite of all this, people still make a heroic attempt to keep cheerful. The absence of men is especially marked, of course; only old men are in evidence. In certain directions, prices have naturally risen, and there are some commodities that are no longer obtainable in the Capital—notably white writing paper.

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Coming Championship Races.

The following are the courses arranged for the remaining Club Championship races to be sailed in connection with the above Club:—

Handicap Class.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th February, 1915. Troon Rock (S.), Kowloon Rock (S.), Channel Rock (S.); distance, 10½ miles.

Eighth race to be sailed on 6th March, 1915. Lyemman Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Lyemman Beacon (S.); distance, 9.2 miles.

Ninth race to be sailed on 20th March, 1915. Datum Rock (P.), distance, 14.8 miles. (Subject to alteration.)

One Design Class.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th February, 1915. Kowloon Rock (P.), North Fairway Buoy (P.); distance, 9 miles.

Eighth race to be sailed on 6th March, 1915. Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (P.), Channel Rock (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Channel Rock (S.), Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (S.); distance 7.16 miles.

Ninth race to be sailed on 20th March, 1915. North Fairway Buoy (S.), Kowloon Rock (S.), Channel Rock (S.); distance, 10.1 miles.

Cruiser Class.

Fourth race to be sailed on 21st February, 1915. Hongkong Island (S.); distance, 24 miles. (Subject to approval of authorities concerned.)

Fifth race to be sailed on 14th March, 1915. Bokhara Rock Buoy (P.); distance, 24 miles. (Subject to approval of authorities concerned.)

GENERAL NEWS.

The B. A. T. at Mukden.
The new factory of the British American Tobacco Co. at Mukden has its machinery under installation. The new plant will be ready for operation during next month.

Prince Joachim.
Prince Joachim, one of the younger sons of the Kaiser, who was seriously wounded by Turco troops in France more than a month ago, is stated to have returned to the firing line after recovering from his wounds.

Home-brewed Beer.
The new tax on beer has led to a revival among the cottages in Mid-Essex of the custom of brewing their own beer. In the villages of Shalford and Sisted, near Braintree, home brewing has become quite general, and several brews of such beer are already maturing for next Christmas consumption.

Colombo Military Wedding.
The wedding of Capt. Richard Guy Purcell, Royal Garrison Artillery, son of Colonel M. H. Purcell, late R. E., and Mrs. Purcell, and Miss Dorothy Fyfe Souter, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Alexander Fyfe Souter, of Westhill, Kilmale, and Mrs. Souter, of Perth, Nether, was celebrated at St. Michael's and All Angels', Polwatte, Ceylon, on January 20.

Sultan of Egypt's Resolve.
Cairo, January 2.—The Sultan of Egypt, in receiving the members of a Greek Catholic charitable society, said:—My efforts will be consecrated to the well-being of my people in general without distinction of any sort and without any difference between Syrian, Turk, Copt, or Mussulman. Know you that these words come from the bottom of my heart, and that all my acts will be inspired by the line of conduct of my grandfather, Mehmet Ali, who treated all communities and all foreign colonies in Egypt on an equal footing.

Passed by the Censor.
The Westminster Gazette says:—A "little group" gathered about the club tape watched the machine carefully spelling out the following:—fhaofwith 5 jhucel 0 ihtwinoel yt wiyj pignozhmj jayzel f Kjhj hsk jwjbj hie 3 t-pji g0 xthnfqnyx 5nag p j mji ts ofezf0 ex fei no fy htujmjlj. Suddenly springing into illumination the tape added:—The Press Bureau has no objection to the publication of the above, but takes no responsibility for its accuracy.

Old Singaporean's Death.
Another link with the past of Singapore has been severed, says the Straits Times, by the death in harness of Mr. R. C. Leicester, only son of the late E. B. Leicester, Jr., at the age of 74, of chronic interstitial nephritis, at the residence of his nephew in Fullerton Road. Deceased was for many years financial clerk in the Secretariat, which post he relinquished in order to set up in business. At the time of his death, he was manager of the Straits Granite Co., a syndicate of contractors and granite workers in which he had an interest, and although confined to his room, continued to devote himself to business until only a few days before his death. His only sister, Mrs. Holloway, survives him. The funeral, at Bidadari, was conducted by the Rev. G. Dexter Allen.

Loyal Persian Gulf Arabs.
Delhi, Jan. 8.
In reply to letters announcing the outbreak of war with Turkey and the occupation of Basra by a British force, the Political Agent in the Persian Gulf has received most cordial expressions of loyalty and devotion to the British cause. These came from the Sheikhs of Bahrain and Kuwait, the Sultan of Maskat, the Chief of Kalir, and other chiefs. Persian Gulf news is to the effect that the success of the British arms at Basra caused unqualified joy among the Gulf Arabs generally.

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INDIAN EMIGRANTS.

The Komagata Maru Report.

Delhi, Jan. 10.—The report of the committee appointed to enquire into the voyage of the Komagata Maru with a number of Hindu emigrants from Hongkong to Vancouver, and thence back to India, and into the riot which occurred near Calcutta on September 27 last, has been published. It is found that most of the Indians proceeded to Vancouver in the belief that they would be allowed to land. The leaders of the expedition, however, were aware of the law, and deliberately misled the more ignorant of the passengers.

The judgment of Chief Justice Hunter, of the Canadian Courts, dated November, 1913, was also an important factor in giving rise to the idea that Asiatic emigrants could secure entrance into Canada. The committee of enquiry was precluded from discussing the Canadian law on immigration, or the action of the Vancouver authorities. Its report shows, however, that the Indians behaved in a lawless and violent manner at Vancouver, and obstinately resisted the authorities. The emigrants were in a dangerous frame of mind when they left Vancouver, and intended to cause trouble in India on their arrival after the return journey.

The emigrants succeeded in obtaining from the Government of India, through the British Consulate at Kobe, free passages from Japan to Calcutta, and a large sum of money for provisions, although their statement as to their destitute condition would now seem to have been entirely incorrect.

On the arrival of the ship in the Houghly arrangements were made, in accordance with the law recently enacted, to prevent the emigrants from landing at Calcutta, and they were directed to proceed straight to their homes from Budge Budge, an outlying station 14 miles from Calcutta, a special free train being provided by the Government.

The passengers, however, refused to obey the lawful orders of the Government, and proceeded to force their way; but were met by a force of military police and persuaded to return. On their arrival again at Budge Budge, while arrangements for a train to convey them were being made, a number of the passengers opened fire on the police escorting them, without any justification. The report shows that the passengers had a number of firearms, which they concealed while the luggage was being examined, and these weapons must have been ready for immediate use when required.

As soon as it was possible without risk of injuring the police, 40 of the troops fired on the rioters, killing numbers of them, and dispersing the rest. Many were arrested on the spot, and others who fled to the adjacent districts were apprehended later. In all, 28 persons were killed in the riot, including two Europeans—Mr. Lomar, a railway officer, and

Superintendent Eastwood, of the Calcutta Police. Two outsiders, residents of Budge Budge, were accidentally killed, and two Indian police officers, and 20 of the returning emigrants. In addition to these 35 persons were injured, including several Europeans and police officers.

The conduct of the officers is commended, but the committee expresses the view that the emigrants should have been effectively searched for arms before they were permitted to land. The conduct of the troops was good, but it was to be regretted that the head constable of the Punjab Police was accidentally shot by the soldiers.

The committee states that the action of the Bengal Government in prohibiting the men from entering Calcutta was justified by the circumstances. The Government of India, in a covering resolution, accepts the report as an eminently fair and judicial pronouncement, of which the findings are just and reasonable. It expresses the Government's cordial thanks to the committee, and while emphasising the wish to treat the returning emigrants with sympathy and consideration, regrets that their motive was misunderstood, and that this unfortunate loss of life had resulted owing to the folly of a few.

It is not intended to institute any prosecutions in respect of the riot, and the majority of the men concerned, who had been confined pending the enquiry, are being returned to their homes. The minority, consisting of the dangerous ringleaders, will be kept under restraint for the present.

Manila Official's Unfortunate Experience.

Mr. E. E. Schneider, of the Philippine Bureau of Forestry, who sailed from Manila recently to take charge of the forestry exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, was attacked, and robbed on the day following his arrival in San Francisco, according to letters received in Manila. The affair seems to have taken place in Ninth Street, San Francisco, and it was suspected that the robbery was committed by persons who were on the same transport with Mr. Schneider, and who, knowing that he had money on his person, only awaited the opportunity to take it from him by force.

New Steamship Service to the East.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Mr. Harrison, Governor-General of the Philippines, cables that he is informed that the Holland steamship line contemplates starting a line from New York via the Panama Canal to Manila and the Dutch East Indies. In reference to the foregoing, a contemporary thinks that this must be a mistake, and that probably the service in question is that between Java and New York, through the Suez Canal, undertaken by the Netherlands Steamship Co., and one boat of which left Java on Dec. 31.

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THE SHANGHAI MEETING.

There is no inconsiderable significance in the news contained in our Shanghai correspondent's wire of yesterday. The meeting to which the telegram refers was called in connection with a movement, which has been in progress for some while, for forming a Shanghai branch of the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas. The enthusiasm, however, a Britisher was rushed to the top of the poll at the recent Municipal Election in the Settlement is a sufficient indication, not only of the solidarity of the British element there, but of the sympathy that non-British residents feel towards the Empire. Bearing the result of the recent polling in mind, it is not difficult to understand how the meeting of which our correspondent now speaks should have been the largest and heartiest ever witnessed by Shanghai Britishers; or that ten different races should have been represented among the speakers.

There are many charges that can be laid against the Britisher who is away from home, but want of attachment to the Old Country is not one of them. He may wander far—very far—from home traditions, where religion, politics, morality are concerned; he may (and sometimes does) develop into a prig, a snob, a rogue or a ruffian; but it is not in him, wherever he goes, and whatever he does, to forget the two little islands away in the North Sea, which look so insignificant on the map and yet have so world-wide an influence. When the world is at peace he may speak in terms of disparagement of them, though it will not be well with a non-Briton who does so in his presence. The moment, however, that there is any question of those islands being in danger, all real or fancied grievances that he may have nourished disappear before the more important fact that he is a Britisher—with a duty to perform.

How well Britain's sons over-seas have performed that duty, the wires from the front have told us. Men have gone to join the colours, literally from every corner of the habitable globe. But there are many others who, for one reason or another, cannot gird on the sword and hurry to do their mite towards upholding the cause of Homeland that is so dear to them. Cannot they do something else for it, then? The meeting at Shanghai is practically an answer to that question. The Dominions answered it long before war was ever thought of, by helping the Navy; and our neighbour, the Federated Malay States, answered it in like manner. And, since war broke out, every place where Britishers and non-British subjects of the Empire are gathered together—from the Gold Coast to Shanghai, and from Bermuda to New Zealand—has hastened to contribute funds which it was anxious to trust to Britain's keeping, for one purpose or another. But even the warmest and most loyal hearts can do more by acting in unison than by separate, isolated or irregular effort; system is necessary to patriots as to bankers, and the Patriotic League will not only serve to bind British subjects more closely together, than ever, but it will provide just that very spirit of order and good counsel which is going to double the force with which Britishers can strike in their attempt to help the Empire.

Making Themselves a Nuisance.

That somewhat erotic but ever popular, writer, Victoria Cross, remarks, in one of her stories, that the Britisher's idea of enjoyment consists in doing something that will annoy or inconvenience other people. It is a harsh and a sweeping judgment, and one is glad to be able to feel that there are at least some exceptions to such a rule. It is, however, quite true that many Britishers seem constitutionally unable to understand the law of give and take, and that, when they are on pleasure bent, such persons are utterly regardless of the comfort or sensibilities of others. This point is well exemplified, almost any night in the week, at the Hongkong theatre, where the local "Nuts" are never so happy as when placing their feet on the backs of the seats of people in the row in front of them: Not content with that, they are usually most unwilling to let any popular tune pass without their signifying their appreciation of it by persistently beating time to it with their feet or their walking-sticks. Apart from the annoyance caused to other people in the audience, it is well that the numbers of Asiatics and Eurasians who attend our theatres should have these exhibitions of British bounderishness forever thrust before their eyes and ears?

Robberies from Empty Houses.

Some of our readers who are property owners complain of the frequency with which robberies take place in unoccupied houses within the Colony. Many police, both in Hongkong and at Home, seem to labour under the delusion that when once a tenant has removed himself and his belongings from a house or flat there is no further need for the Law to keep its eye on the vacated premises. Seeing how often men are charged before the magistrates with removing window-fittings, door-knobs, electric light apparatus, piping, and a score of other fixtures, we think the Law might know better than to leave any "empty" house to take care of itself. The number of convictions for breaking into such premises is small in comparison with the frequency with which the robberies occur; and we would hint to the local police that a greater amount of watchfulness on their part might result in the harvesting of quite a crop of these enthusiastic collectors of house-fittings. We mention the matter just now, because we are, on the verge of Chinese New Year: a time when curio-hunters of this description usually look to find the police too much engaged to be able to attend to them and their hobbies.

An Absurd Proposal.

In our leading article yesterday we dealt in general terms with the decision of the Sanitary Board regarding the water carriage system, but there is one point which calls for particular notice—namely, the resolution to impose, hereafter, a tax of \$50 on every householder who goes to the pains of installing a water closet. A more preposterous suggestion has, we venture to say, never been recommended by the Board, and we hope that it will be quickly killed when the matter comes before the Legislative Council. Seeing that every householder who adopts this modern sanitary arrangement has to find his own independent water supply, and that the other expenses of installation are by no means small, encouragement rather than the reverse should be the attitude shown by the authorities to such people. And then if we take the purely financial side of the matter, we have it on the word of the Director of Public Works that the loss to the Colony in revenue for every household which adopts modern methods is only \$1.20 per annum, yet the Board proposes an annual fee of \$50 to balance affairs! The whole thing looks little better than sheer robbery. Above all else, why put a tax on cleanliness?

DAY BY DAY.

DON'T WASTE LIFE IN DOUBTS AND FEARS. SPEND YOURSELF ON THE WORK BEFORE YOU. WELL ASSURED THAT THE RIGHT PERFORMANCE OF THIS HOUR'S DUTIES WILL BE THE BEST PREPARATION FOR THE HOURS OR AGES THAT FOLLOW IT.—Emerson.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 73; dull.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 66; dull.

Count the Columns.

Yesterday the *Telegraph* published 32 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

The Mails.

English Mail.—Due to arrive tomorrow at 5 a.m.

U. K. Mail.—Closed per s.s. Kamo Maru at 11 a.m. to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Luchow at 3 p.m. to-day.

English Mail.—Closes per s.s. Oriental tomorrow at 11 a.m.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 9.1-10d.

Seaman's Loss.

A Chinese seaman has reported to the Police the theft of money and clothing to the value of \$42 from his cubicle.

Drunken Watchman.

An Indian watchman, named Buddah, was fined five dollars this morning by Mr. Wood at the Police Court, for being drunk and incapable.

Bitch Ordered.

A youth, aged sixteen years, charged before Mr. Wood with shoplifting from a shop in Wellington Street, was ordered to receive ten strokes of the birch.

Passing Bad Coin.

A Chinese was charged this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with passing counterfeit ten-cent pieces. He was sent to prison for six months with four hours' stocks.

To-morrow's Auctions.

To-morrow at 11 a.m. Mr. G. P. Lammett sells by auction a steel bridge, at the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown, and, at noon, a quantity of liquors, at his sales rooms.

Coolie's Fall.

A coolie residing at Jervois Street has been sent to the Hospital suffering from injuries received through falling from the verandah of the second floor of a house while engaged in fixing electric lamps.

Raub Returns.

The following are the results of crushing operations at Raub for the four weeks ending 30th ult.: Bukit Koman: stone crushed 6,275 tons, gold obtained 896 ozs., average per ton 2.855 dwts. Bukit Malacca: stone crushed 2,781 tons, gold obtained 370 ozs., average per ton 1.957 dwts.

Bijou Theatre.

Miss May Clarke's beautiful singing is drawing big audiences at the Bijou Theatre. She is a very versatile artist, who can turn her hand—or, rather, her voice—to almost anything: light comedy, ballads, music-hall ditties or ragtime. In each of these she was equally popular last night; so much so that one encore song by no means satisfied her admiring hearers. We hope that a singer of such unusual ability will make a long stay in the Colony.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

STRIKING CONTRASTS.

Why the Allies are Hopeful.

The reassembling of the British, Canadian, Russian and Prussian Parliaments has provided us with a striking contrast of the feelings of the people in regard to the war. It shows that the Allies are filled with high hope concerning the future and that a gloomy depression broods over Germany. While in the Allies' Parliaments the speakers as one man voice their determination to see the struggle through to the bitter end, we find the proceedings in the Prussian Diet marked by wrangling and commotion and the Socialists clamouring for the cessation of the war, which, they infer, has not the support of the people. And yet a further contrast is to be found in the fact that both the British and French Socialists have expressed their sympathy with the cause of the Allies. The denunciation of the war by the German Socialists is all the more significant when it is observed that it was openly expressed in the Diet. When war broke out the Germans may have been, and probably were, as enthusiastic and united as the peoples of the Allied nations. But since then they have seen the flower of their manhood sacrificed to satisfy the foolish ambitions of a military clique, and to-day we hear the first mutterings of internal discord.

Causes of Depression.

A month ago the German official lists admitted casualties totalling two million officers and men, and now we have it on the authority of Mr. Harcourt, in his message to the Canadians, that a further quarter of a million has been added to the roll. In other words, close on half of Germany's great active service Army has been accounted for. Is it any wonder that the people are beginning to tire of the war, especially since their armed forces are achieving nothing but failure? They have seen their manhood, their trade and their culture squandered, all to no purpose. In the hour when, ensnared by losses and weak supplies, all hope of the prize that dazzled them has been abandoned, they see the foe whom they have outraged gathering up their strength to prosecute the war to final victory. For here it must be remembered, as Mr. Harcourt has pointed out, that whereas the power of Germany is on the wane, the whole of the vast resources of the British Empire have not yet been called into play. And what is true of Britain is almost equally true of France and Russia, who are daily building up their reserves.

The Future.

The point of the moment is whether or not Germany's great adventure will expire in a grotesque fiasco. Can the Germans sustain such blows of adversity as their rulers have invited on their heads? Unlike Germany, the Allies can afford to leave political considerations out of account. The military situation is good enough for them—there is no doubt that the enemy is being held securely both east and west. And in the next few months, or may be weeks, Russia in the east and the Allies in the west will launch out on a big offensive. Then will come the invasion of the Fatherland. Germany must know that her resources of men and munitions have been irretrievably depleted, and that the Allies are only on the point of realising theirs. With the facts thus, the outlook for Germany is black indeed. And everything shows that the Germans themselves know this all too well.

OLD HONGKONG.

Some Gambling Reflections.

(Continued from Tuesday).

Gambling, through this Ordinance, became de facto a legalised institution in the Colony. Naturally, there was immediately an outcry against the establishment of the gambling farm, but a memorial on the subject only drew from the Government a reply that the Governor preferred addressing himself "to the practical question of protecting property by suppressing meetings of illegal gamblers and retrieving the corrupted efficiency of the police." As a result, twelve new gambling houses were opened in various parts of the city. They were situated in Hollywood Road, at Saiyungpoo, Queen's Road, Circular Buildings, Queen's Road, and near Gilman's Bazaar. There was no great rush when the houses first opened their doors. It would seem, indeed, as though gambling, being no longer forbidden fruit, was not going to prove so popular as had at first been anticipated. But soon it regained its old charm for men, and Europeans as well as Chinese put in regular appearances at the tables.

Enormous Revenue.

Naturally the Nonconformist conscience at Home would not put up with this state of affairs, and soon the Home Government was worried with articles in some of the most influential papers. The local press did not put itself out about the matter, but the Chamber of Commerce wrote to the Government, the reply being given, at a meeting of the Legislative Council, by the Governor, who endeavoured to show the enormous revenue which was being derived from this source. In 1871, when the gaming house licences were put up for auction, the highest bidder secured the privilege for the sum of \$15,800 per month. Consequently the revenue from this monopoly amounted to \$189,600 per annum.

Licensed Gambling Stopped.

A year after this large sum was reached, the scheme was put a stop to, in an Ordinance which was claimed to have put a stop to the "licensed gambling scandal" probably unknown in any other British Colony. This does not justify any assumption that the people in the Colony were unable to gamble if they wanted to. The writer has met old residents who claimed to have gone to Samsui and Old Kowloon City for "cluck-cluck" and fan-tan, while the latter place also added the attraction—for some—of an occasional execution on the beach. Again, as soon as the houses were closed down, private "clubs" were started and gambling on open spaces was resorted to, Tai-pingshan, in particular, gaining for itself quite a healthy reputation.

The Police Accused. Of course, all this time the Police had come in for a full share of abuse. They were alleged to be guilty of gambling in the houses and to be a most corrupt body. But, however that might be, there was certainly a charge to be noted in the force after 1873. It may be that the commission had ventilated matters sufficiently, but the point is not without interest that in that year a strong Scotch element was spoken of as having recently been added to the force. The proportion of that element has never since decreased.

(To be continued.)

Rear-Admiral Eyres.

The retirement of Rear-Admiral Cresswell John Eyres, who has been unemployed since he vacated the post of commodore at Hongkong, has, says *Truth*, given Rear-Admiral Palmer his step. Admiral Eyres still had another eight years to go before reaching the age limit, but there are so few openings for the employment of an officer of his rank who lacks dreadnought service, that he has followed the example of several other flag officers who have retired by taking an H.N.B. commission as a captain, to enable him to see active service.

A SERIOUS FRANCE.

A Former Hongkong Resident in Paris.

"A serious France" sounds, in English ears, almost a contradiction in terms, for, to our British notions, France without gaiety is an impossibility. All the same, our brave Ally is taking matters with becoming gravity just now, and even Paris—even Montmartre—can find more time for church-going and for ministering to the wounded and the bereaved than for levity.

One of our readers has just received a letter from a former resident in Hongkong, which paints France as, before all things, the home of seriousness. The writer of the letter, on returning from the East, landed at Marseilles and there seems to have seen little else but persons in mourning, and wounded soldiers limping hither and thither. In Paris, it was much the same. Her own home, like thousands of others, was broken up automatically, for the simple reason that her seven brothers are all serving their country. The youngest is reported "missing," but the remainder seem to have met with better luck. One brother is blind, but even he is busy making cart-ridges, while another—a railway superintendent—is employed in connection with shell-making, for which the railway workshops are now being used.

Paris, says the letter, now retires early. Shops, etc., close at 8 in the evening, the trams stop running at 8.30 and the last metropolitan train leaves at 9.30. In spite of all this, people still make a heroic attempt to keep cheerful. The absence of men is especially marked; of course, only old men are in evidence. In certain directions, prices have naturally risen, and there are some commodities that are no longer obtainable in the Capital—notably white writing paper.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Coming Championship Races.

The following are the courses arranged for the remaining Club Championship races to be sailed in connection with the above Club:—

Handicap Class.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th February, 1915. Troas Rock (S.), Kowloon Rock (S.), Channel Rock (S.); distance, 10½ miles.

Eighth race to be sailed on 8th March, 1915. Lyeemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Lyeemun Beacon (S.), distance, 9.2 miles.

Ninth race to be sailed on 20th March, 1915. Datum Rock (P.), distance, 14.8 miles. (Subject to alteration.)

One Design Class.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th February, 1915. Kowloon Rock (P.), North Fairway Buoy (P.); distance, 9 miles.

Eighth race to be sailed on 6th March, 1915. Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (P.), Channel Rock (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Channel Rock (S.), Mark Buoy Quarry Bay (S.); distance 7.16 miles.

Ninth race to be sailed on 20th March, 1915. North Fairway Buoy (S.), Kowloon Rock (S.), Channel Rock (S.); distance, 10.1 miles.

Cruiser Class.

Fourth race to be sailed on 21st February, 1915. Hongkong Island (S.); distance, 24 miles. (Subject to approval of authorities concerned.)

Fifth race to be sailed on 14th March, 1915. Boklora Rock Buoy (P.), Mark Boat off the old Fan Tai-shan Customs Station Junk Bay (P.); distance, 15.6 miles. (Subject to approval of authorities concerned.)

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

FRIDAY,
the 12th February, 1915, commencing at 11 a.m. at the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co's No. 10 Godown, Kowloon.

1 Steel Bridge.
Terms.—Cash on delivery.
Now on view.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

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FRIDAY,
the 12th February, 1915, commencing at 12 o'clock noon at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, (For account of the concerned) 50 cases Guinness Stout (pints), 50 cases Pilsener Beer (pints), 20 cases John Bull's Whisky, 12 cases James Watson's Whisky, 30 cases Du Chien Gin, 10 cases Hoehl Champagne.
On view now.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
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A Valuable Collection of

Antique China & Curios.

(Just arrived from the North, being the property of the well-known collector, Lah Ven Koo.)

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday & Saturday,
the 19th & 20th February, 1915, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of

Antique China & Curios from

Sun to Ming Dynasties and

Kanghi to Towkwoong Periods,

comprising:—

5-coloured, 3-coloured and Blue and White Vases, Plates, Bowls, Cups and Figures, etc.

Sang-de-bosuf Vases, white

" Goddess of Mercy " Ming.

Old Gold Inlaid Bronzes, Ming

Rene Crystal Vases and Snuff

Bottles.

Porcelain and Agate Snuff

Bottles.

Green and Red Jade Ornaments.

Old Lacquer Screens with

5-coloured Decoration and Black-

wood Screens with Blue & White

& 5-coloured Kanghi & Kienlung

Porcelain Plaques, Porcelain

Picture inlaid in Wood, etc., etc.

Also

A Few Pieces of Finely Carved

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N.B.—The Undersigned will

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the genuineness of the articles

offered.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the well-known dealer, Lah Ven Koo (Shanghai), to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY & TUESDAY,

the 8th & 9th March, 1915, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m.

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A Large and Valuable Collection

of Antique China and

Curios.

(Full particulars will appear later)

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Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

For the benefit of the Prince of Wales National Relief Fund, and other Charitable Purposes.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

(For account of the concerned),

on

THURSDAY,

the 18th February, 1915, at 3 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of

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A 40 H.P. four Cylinder

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Seating accommodation for

Six Passengers. In Per-

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Inspecting Orders will be issued

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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AT "KANDRA" CAFE,
Queen's Hill, Midnight.

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The Laughter-makers. From the Savoy Theatre, London.

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"A VILLAGE CONCERT."

Thursday, February 11th.

"THE MAYOR'S MATINEE."

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Special programme by well-known local artists, concluding with an amusing Sketch, entitled

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Comic, Historical & Interesting Films.

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Sung to Ming Dynasties & Kanghi to Towkwoong Periods,

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5-coloured, 3-coloured & Blue & White vases, plates, bowls,

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Sang-de-boeuf vases, White "Goddess of Mercy" Ming

incense burners.

Large bronze vases, wine cups, incense burners, Sung

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Green & red Jade Ornaments.

Old Pekin cloisonne vases & incense burners.

Old lacquered screens with 5-coloured decoration &

blackwood screens with blue & white & 5 coloured Kanghi &

Kienlung porcelain plaques, pottery & porcelain pictures in-

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also

Soochow red wood curio cabinets, side tables, flower

stands etc.

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On view from Thursday, the 25th February, 1915.

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OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, January 20, 1914.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Mei Lung Pa	lb. 21
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	" 21
" Roast,—Shiu	" 21
" Breast,—Ngau Lam	" 19
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	" 16
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	" 22
" do,—Sirloin—Ngau Lan	" 33
" Sausages,—Ngau Chong	" 26
Bullock's Brains—No	per set 12
" Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li	each 50
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Li	" 60
" Head,—Ngau Tan	" \$1.20
" Heart,—Ngau Sum	lb. 14
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	" 22
" Feet,—Ngau Keuk	each 12
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	" 12
" Tail,—Ngau Mei	" 20
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb. 13
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	" 6
Calves' Head & Feet,—Ngau-tai-tau-heuk	set \$1.20
Mutton Chop,—Young Poi Kwat	lb. 23
" Leg,—Young Poi	" 26
" Shoulder,—Young Shau	" 24
" Saddle	" 27
Pigs' Chittlings,—Chu Chong	" 27
" Brains,—Chu No	per set 24
" Feet,—Chu Keuk	lb. 14
" Fry,—Chu Chap	" 16
" Head,—Chu Tau	" 16
" Heart,—Chu Sam	each 12
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	" 18
" Liver,—Chu Kon	lb. 30
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	" 26
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	" 30
" Leg,—Chu Pei	" 30
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yan	" 20
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Keuk	set 60
" Heart,—Young Sam	each 8
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	" 12
" Liver,—Young Kon	lb. 27
Sucking Pigs, to order—Chu Tsai	" 22
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau	" 22
" Mutton,—Shang Young Yau	" 27
" Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk	" 20
" Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung	" 20
Lard,—Chu Yau	" 22

POULTRY.

Chicken,—Kai Tsai	lb. 30
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	" 30
Ducks,—Ap	" 24
Doves,—Pan Kau	" 18
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz 24
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb. 34
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	" 28
Geese,—Ngo	" 24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap	each 30
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kap,	" 25
Snipe,—Sha Tsai	each 23
Turkeys, Cook,—Fo Kai Kung	lb. 65
" Hen, " " Naj	" 45

FISH.

Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb. 18
Bream,—Pin Yu	" 20
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	" 17
Carp,—Li Yu	" 22
Catfish,—Chik Yu	" 15
Codfish,—Man Yu	" 18
Crabs,—Hoi	" 24
Cuttle Fish,—Mak Yu	" 18
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu	" 14
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap	" 15
Dog Fish,—Tui To Sha	" 12
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Mun	" 13
" Fresh water,—Tam Sai Yu	" 20
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	" 32
Frogs,—Tin Kai	" 33
Garoupa,—Shek Pan	" 45
Gudgeon,—Pak Kap Yu	" 18
Herrings,—Tao Pak	" 23
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap	" 28
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	" 20
Loach,—Wu Yu	" 26
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	" 30
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	" 20
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	" 32
Mullet,—Chai Yu	" 20
Oysters,—Shang Ho	" 24
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu	" 12
Perch,—Tan Lo	" 24
Pike,—Fa Pan Fong	" 18
Plaice,—Pan Yu	" 14
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	" 28
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	" 32
Prawns,—Ming Ha	" 40
Ray,—Tui Pa Sha	" 12
Rock Fish,—Shak Kiu Kung	" 18
Roach,—Chan Yu	" 12
Salmon,—Ma Yau	" 35
Shark,—Sha Yu	" 8
Snake,—Po Yu	" 10
Shrimps,—Hoi	" 24
Snapper,—Lap Yu	" 32
Sole,—Tat Sha Yu	" 32
Tench,—Wan Yu	" 20
Turbot,—Oho—How Yu	" 20
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Keuk Yu	" 64

FRUITS.

Almonds,—Bang Yan	lb. 35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	" 18
" (Chetoo)—Tie Chun Ping Kho	" 18
" Small,—Hoi Tong	" 18
Bananas, Fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb. 18
" (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	" 8
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lai	" 2

肉食

Carambola,—Yeung To	0
Coconuts,—Ye Tso	each 12
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz	lb. 3
Lemons, China,—Ling Mang	" 6
" America,—Kam Shan Ling Mang	" 12
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	" 30
" Fresh	" 12
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ching	" 16
" Sweet	" 12
Pears, (American),—Kun San Shoot Lay	" 10
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li	" 10
Peanuts,—Fa Shang	" 10
Paraimmons Large,—Hung Tsz	" 8
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Pan Ti Po Lo	each 12
" 2nd,—Chung-tang Po Lo	" 12
Plantain,—Tai Ohu	lb. 3
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	" 16
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yan	each 16
" Shanghai,—Lo Kwat	" 16
Walnuts,—Hop To	lb. 15
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	" 15
Water Melon,—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each 15

VEGETABLES, &c.

牛手猪	Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. 1
牛手	Cheek	" 1
牛蹄	Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moou Pin Tan	" 1
猪脚	" (French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin	" 1
猪猪	" Sprout,—Ah Choi	" 8
猪猪	" Long,—Tau Kok	" 10
猪猪	Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each 8
猪猪	Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	" 8
猪猪	Brinjale, Green,—Ching Yuan Kwa	" 8
猪猪	" Red,—Hung Ka	" 10
猪猪	Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsoi	" 14
猪猪	Cabbage, Shanghai,—Ye Tsoi	" 14
猪猪	Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	lb. 8
猪猪	Carrots,—Kam Shan	" 12
猪猪	Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi	" 12
猪猪	Chillies Dried,—Kon Lap Chiu	" 30
猪猪	" Red,—Hung Fa Chiu	" 18
猪猪	" Green,—Ching Lap Chiu	" 12
猪猪	Carry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chiu Liu	" 10
猪猪	Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	each 2
猪猪	Garlic,—Sun Tau	lb. 8
猪猪	Ginger, young,—Sun Tso Keung	" 8
猪猪	old,—Lo Keung	" 8
猪猪	Horse Radish, Shanghai,—Lik Kan	" 15
猪猪	Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	each 5
猪猪	Lettuce,—Yeung Shing Tsoi	" 1
猪猪	Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai	lb. 6
猪猪	" Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	" 8
猪猪	Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Cho Ko	" 35
猪猪	Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each 12
猪猪	Khrees,—	" 8
猪猪	Onions Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau	" 8
猪猪	" Green,—Shang Chong	" 8
猪猪	" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chong Tau	" 8
猪猪	Paraley,—Kun Tsoi	lb. 8
猪猪	Green Peas,—Ching Tau	lb. 1
猪猪	Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	" 3
猪猪	" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Shu Tea	" 3
猪猪	" Japan,—Yut Pan Shu Tsoi	" 3
猪猪	" American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsoi	" 8
猪猪	" Poochow,—Foo-chow Shu Tsoi	" 3
猪猪	Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa	" 3
猪猪	Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsoi	" 3
猪猪	Rhubarb (French)—Tai Wong	" 12
猪猪	Sage,—Tao So	" 3
猪猪	Shallots,—Kon Chung Tau	" 8
猪猪	Spinach,—Yin Tsoi	" 3
猪猪	Tomatoes,—Fan Ke	" 3
猪猪	Taros,—Wa Tau	" 6
猪猪	Turnips Panti, (Long)—Lo Pak	" 8
猪猪	" English,—Yeung Lo Pak	" 3
猪猪	Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa	" 4
猪猪	" (American)—Kam-san Chit Kwa	" 3
猪猪	Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Tsoi	" 1
猪猪	" Lily root,—Lin Ngen	" 3
猪猪	Yams,—Ta Shu	" 3
猪猪	English,—Yeung Kan Choi	" 3

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GEO. P. LAMMERT.
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FRIDAY,
the 12th February, 1915, commencing at 11 a.m. at the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co's No. 10 Godown, Kowloon.

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50 cases Guinness Stout (pints),
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(Just arrived from the North, being the property of the well-known collector, Lah Ven Kee).
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5-coloured, 3-coloured and Blue and White Vases, Plates, Bowls, Cups and Figurines, etc.
Sung-de-boenf Vases, white "Goddess of Mercy" Ming.
Old Gold Inlaid Bronzes, Ming
Fine Crystal Vases and Snuff Bottles.
Porcelain and Agate Snuff Bottles.
Green and Red Jade Ornaments.
Old Lacquered Screens with 5-coloured Decoration and Blackwood Screens with Blue & White & 5-coloured Kanghi & Kienlung Porcelain Plaques, Porcelain Figures Inlaid in Wood, etc., etc.

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the 8th & 9th March, 1915, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

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(Full particulars will appear later)
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For the benefit of the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund, and other Charitable Purposes.

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(For account of the concerned), on

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the 18th February, 1915, at 3 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

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The Laughter-makers. From the Savoy Theatre, London.

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Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, the 1st, 2nd & 3rd March, 1915,

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A Valuable Collection of Antique China & Curios from Sung to Ming Dynasties & Kaighi to Towkong Periods, comprising:—

5-coloured, 3-coloured & Blue & White vases, plates, bowls, cups & figures etc., etc.

Sung-de-boenf vases, white "Goddess of Mercy," Ming incense burners.

Large bronze vases, wine cups, incense burners, Sung Jade, agate & porcelain bottles.

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Old Pekin cloisonne vases & incense burners.

Old lacquered screens with 5-coloured decoration & blackwood screens with blue & white & 5 coloured Kanghi & Kienlung porcelain plaques, pottery & porcelain pictures inlaid in wood etc., etc.

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Sookow red wood curio cabinets, side tables, flower stands etc.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, January 20, 1914.

BUTCHER MEAT.

		Cts.
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut,—Moi Lang Pa	lb.	21
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	21
" Roast,—Shiu	"	19
" Breast,—Ngau Lam	"	21
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	"	18
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	22
" do.,—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	"	33
" Sausages,—Ngau Cheung	"	28
Bullock's Brains,—No.	per set	12
" Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li	each	50
" corned,—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head,—Ngau Tau	lb.	14
" Heart,—Ngau Sum	"	14
" Hump, Salt,—Ngau Kin	"	22
" Feet,—Ngau Keuk	each	12
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	"	12
" Tail,—Ngau Mei	"	30
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb.	13
" Tripe (undressed),—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet,—Ngau Tsai-tau-keuk	set	1.20
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwat	lb.	28
" Leg,—Young Pei	"	24
" Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	"	27
" Saddle	"	27
Pigs' Chitlings,—Chu Chong	"	27
" Brains,—Chu No	per set	24
" Feet,—Chu Keuk	lb.	14
" Fry,—Chu Chap	"	16
" Head,—Chu Tau	"	18
" Heart,—Chu Sam	each	12
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	"	18
" Liver,—Chu Kon	lb.	30
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	"	26
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	"	30
" Leg,—Chu Pei	"	20
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yan	"	20
Sheeps' Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Keuk	set	60
" Heart,—Yeung Sam	each	8
" Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	"	12
" Liver,—Yeung Kon	lb.	27
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai	"	22
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau	"	22
" Mutton,—Shang Yeung Yau	"	27
" Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	20
" Lord,—Chu Yan	"	22

POULTRY.

		Cts.
Chicken,—Kai Tsai	lb.	30
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	"	30
Ducks,—Ap	"	24
Doves,—Pan Kau	"	18
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	24
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb.	34
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	"	28
Geese,—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap	each	30
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kap,	"	25
Snipe,—Sha Tsui	each	23
Turkeys, Cook,—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	65
" Hen, " " Na	"	45

FISH.

		Cts.
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream,—Pin Yu	"	20
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	"	17
Carp,—Li Yu	"	22
Catfish,—Chik Yu	"	15
Codfish,—Mun Yu	"	16
Crabs,—Hoi	"	24
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	"	18
Dab,—Sha Mong Yu	"	14
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap	"	15
Dog Fish,—Tui To Sha	"	12
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water,—Tam Sui Yu	"	20
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs,—Tin Kai	"	33
Garoupa,—Shek Pan	"	45
Gudgeon,—Pak Kap Yu	"	18
Herrings,—Tao Pak	"	23
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	28
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	"	20
Loach,—Wu Yu	"	28
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	"	30
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	"	32
Mullet,—Chai Yu	"	20
Oysters,—Shang Ho	"	24
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch,—Tau Lo	"	24
Pike,—Fa Pau Fong	"	18
Plaice,—Pan Yu	"	14
Pomfret,—Hak Chong	"	28
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	"	32
Prawns,—Ming Ha	"	40
Ray,—Pai Pa Cha	"	12
Rock Fish,—Shak Ksu Kung	"	18
Roach,—Chun Yu	"	12
Salmon,—Ma Yu	"	35
Shark,—Sha Yu	"	8
Skate,—Po Yu	"	10
Shrimps,—Ho	"	24
Snapper,—Lap Yu	"	32
Soles,—Tat Sha Yu	"	32
Tench,—Wan Yu	"	20
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	"	20
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Keuk Yu	"	64

FRUITS.

		Cts.
Almonds,—Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Kho	"	18
" (Chafoo)—Tie Chun Ping Kho	"	18
" Small,—Hoi Tong	"	18
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	lb.	18
" (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	"	18
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lat	"	18

肉食

		Cts.
Carambola,—Yeung To	"	0
Cocoanuts,—Ye Tso	each	12
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz	lb.	3
Lemons, China,—Ling Mung	"	6
" America,—Kam Shan Ling Mung	"	12
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	"	30
" Fresh	"	30
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tim Ohing	lb.	10
" Sweet	"	10
Pears, (American), Kiu San Shoot Lay	"	10
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li	"	10
Peanuts,—Fa Shang	"	10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Tsz	"	8
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Pun Ti Po Lo	each	8
" 2nd,—Chung-tang Po Lo	"	8
Plantain,—Tai Chiu	lb.	3
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	"	15
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	each	15
" Shanghai,—Lo Kwat	"	15
Walnuts,—Hop To	lb.	15
" Green,—Sang Hop Tao	"	15
Water Melon,—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each	15

VEGETABLES, &c.

		Cts.
Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb.	10
" Cheuk	"	10
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moo Pin Tan	"	10
" (French) Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin	"	10
" Sprout,—Ah Choi	"	10
" Long,—Tan Kok	"	10
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each	8
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	"	8
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuan Kwa	"	8
" Red,—Hung Ko	"	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsoi	"	10
Cabbage, Shanghai,—Ye Tsoi	"	14
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	lb.	8
Carrots,—Kam Shun	"	12
Carrots, Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi	"	12
Chillies Dried,—Kon Lap Chiu	"	30
" Red,—Hung Fa Chiu	"	18
" Green,—Ching Lap Chiu	"	12
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Ohu Lin	"	10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	each	2
Garlic,—Sun Tau	lb.	8
Ginger, young,—Sun Tsz Keung	"	6
" old,—Lo Keung	"	8
Horse Radish, Shanghai,—Lik Kan	"	15
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	each	5
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsoi	"	1
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai	lb.	6
" Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	8
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Oh Ko	"	35
Musk Melon, Amer.—Kam San Hong Kwa	each	12
Okroes	lb.	12
Onions Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau	"	8
" Green,—Shang Chong	"	6
" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chong Tau	"	6
Parley,—Kun Tsz	lb.	8
Green Peas,—Ching Tau	lb.	10
Potatoes, Sweet,—Pan Shu	"	3
" Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Shu Tsz	"	3
" Japan,—Yut Pan Shu Tsz	"	3
" American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsz	"	8
" Foochow,—Foo-chow Shu Tsz	"	3
Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa	"	3
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsz	"	3
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	"	12
Sage,—Tse So	"	12
Shallots,—Kon Chung Tau	"	8
Spinach,—Yin Tsoi	"	5
Tomatoes,—Pan Ke	"	8
Taro,—Wa Tan	"	8
Turnips, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	"	5
" English,—Young Lo Pak	"	5
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa	"	4
" (American)—Kam San hit Kwa	"	4
Water Cross,—Sai Yeung Tsoi	"	15
" Lily root,—Lin Ngu	"	6
Yams,—To Shu	"	6
" English,—Yeung Kan Choi	"	1
" Tau	"	1

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COUNTRIES AT WAR.

Germany	Britain.
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ARMY TERMS EXPLAINED.

Army corps is a complete army on a small scale in itself. The strength varies from 35,000 to 45,000 men.

Division is a force of infantry, cavalry, and artillery, usually with a strength of from 15,000 to 20,000 men.

Brigade is a force of infantry or cavalry. The infantry brigade is from 4,000 to 7,000 strong. The cavalry brigade is from 1,000 to 2,000 strong.

Regiment of infantry is from 2,000 to 4,000 strong. A cavalry regiment is from 500 to 1,000 men strong.

Squadron of cavalry is from 150 to 200 men strong.

Battery of artillery in the British and French armies has 6 guns and about 200 men. In the German Army, consists of 4 guns and 150 men. In the Russian Army it consists of 8 guns and 250 men.

LAST MONTH.

Jan. 1.—British battleship *Formidable* sunk in the Channel. Army Orders announce creation of new Armies.

Jan. 2.—Business interests in Washington protest against any legislation restricting the export of munitions of war to the belligerents in Europe.

Jan. 3.—Allies in France and Belgium and Russians in Poland progress in spite of bad weather.

Jan. 5.—Russians follow up successes against Austrians and Turks by making many captures. Decisive Russian victory in Sary-kamys, entire Turkish Corps, including General Commanding, being captured, and another Corps pursued.

Jan. 6.—General Joffre congratulates Russia on her victory over the Turks, adding that the Allies in all theatres of war are now preparing for final victory. Germany agrees to British proposal for an exchange of prisoners incapacitated from further service. Earl Kitchener delivers speech in the House of Lords expressing confidence in ultimate victory.

Jan. 7.—Arrest of Cardinal Mercier by German announced.

Jan. 8.—Germans bombard Soissons and set fire to Law Courts. "Germans recapture Burnhaupt at heavy cost to themselves. French official report discloses over one hundred examples of atrocious behaviour of Germans in France.

Jan. 9.—Announced that the Russians in Bukovina have advanced 80 miles in a week and reached the chain separating Bukovina from Hungary.

Jan. 10.—British Reply to U.S. Note published: Britain undertakes to interfere with neutral trade only when such trade is not bona fide.

Jan. 11.—Sixteen German aeroplanes seen over the Channel make for Dunkirk and drop 30 bombs, doing but little damage. Germans severely punished both east and west.

Jan. 12.—Russian successes in the Caucasus continue, two Turkish companies being captured.

Jan. 13.—Small-pox, cholera and typhoid raging in Austria. Roumania decides to enter the Concert of the Triple Entente by about the middle of February.

Jan. 14.—King George confers honours on the Grand Duke Nicholas and other Russian generals: Germans secure partial success at Soissons, capturing a number of French with guns.

Jan. 15.—The British in a brilliant engagement capture a German position near La Bassée, capturing many prisoners. Union forces occupy Hamans Drift and Swakopmund. Russians continue to drive German cavalry towards Thorn.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 23rd Feb. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th inst. at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. Agents. Hongkong, 9th February, 1915.

CONSIGNEES

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THE Steamship

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, 17th inst. at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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"ONSANG & KUMSANG" having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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NOTICE.

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We have taken over the Agency of the above Company formerly held by Messrs. Siemens & Co. and are prepared to accept risks from this date.

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NOTICE.

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We have taken over the agency of the above Company in Hongkong and are now prepared to grant FIRE and MARINE policies of insurance at current rates.

THE CHINA COMMERCIAL CO.

3, Duddell Street. Hongkong, 16th January, 1915.

NOTICES

The Office of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on Friday, the 12th current, and on Monday, the 15th current.

E. GORDON LOWDER, Commissioner of Chinese Customs.

York Buildings, Hongkong, 9th February, 1915.

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THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

SIXTEEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$16,000,000) and SUPPLEMENTARY ISSUE OF EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS (\$8,000,000).

Notice is hereby given to Subscribers that arrangements have been made by the Chinese Government to hand to the undersigned each month the sum of Dollars One hundred and Twenty Thousand (\$120,000) from the revenues assigned under the Loan Regulations to the service of these loans. Loan service accounts have been opened in the name of the undersigned with the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications, into which these monthly instalments of interest will be paid as received, and these accounts will be drawn on to meet the half-yearly interest Coupons payable through the intermediary of the above-named Banks.

The first interest instalment for the month of January has been duly received and brought to account.

Subscribers to the Supplementary Issue of Eight million Dollars (\$8,000,000) are further notified that in accordance with Article II of the Loan Regulations the full amount of Dollars Four Hundred and Eighty Thousand (\$480,000), being the amount of interest on the loan for one year, has been duly raised by the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Communications and has been placed on fixed deposit in the name of the undersigned with the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications; as a permanent guarantee for the interest on the loan.

F. A. AGLEN, Inspector General of Customs, and Vice-Chairman of the Bureau of National Loans. Inspectorate General of Customs, Peking 27th January 1915.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 20th day of February, 1915, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1914.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 8th February, to SATURDAY, the 20th February, 1915, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors. N. J. STABB, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 3rd February, 1915.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

The Flower and Vegetable Show will be held on the 4th and 5th March in the Botanic Gardens.

Intending Exhibitors should send their entry forms to the Hon. Secretary not later than 25th February. Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary. F. HOWELL, 10 Des Voeux Road Central.

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SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS SA.—SALES P.—BUYERS N.—NOMINAL

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914. Highest	1914. Lowest	1915. Highest	1915. Lowest	Last Divid and Date
Banks.									
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$815 271	12,000	\$125	all	855	July 700	Oct. 825	815	{ £2 3/- at ex 1/100% equal to \$22.80 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/14
Marine Insurances.									
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	347 1/2	10,000	\$50	50	350	Dec. 305	Oct. 347 1/2	342 1/2	{ Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	160	10,000	\$15	5	145	May 133	Jan. 160	160	{ Final of 10 p.c. making 20 p.c. for 1912
Union Ins. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$820	2,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April 700	Oct. 820	\$815	{ Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$215	12,000	\$100	60	2 0	April 192 1/2	Jan. 215	215	{ Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1912 & Int. of \$3 for 1913
Fire Insurances.									
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$150	20,000	\$100	20	160	July 140	Oct. 150	150	{ \$10 for 1912
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$395	8,000	\$250	40	385	Feb. 368	April 395	390	{ \$27 for 1912
Shipping.									
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$46	30,000	\$25	all	10	Jan. 5 1/2	Dec. 6	6	{ \$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$59	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar. 27 1/2	Nov. 29	29	{ \$3 for year ending 30/6/14
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	80/0 0 15	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan. 22	Dec. 19 1/2	19	{ Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31/12/14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	\$66	60,000	\$5	all	79	Jan. 50	Sept. 66	66	{ Final of 3% m'king 6% on pre- ferred shares & 5% on de- ferred shares for year 1913
Shanghai Port & Trading Co., Ltd.	80/-	3,797,610	£1	all	106/-	Feb. 70/-	Sept. 80/-	80/-	{ Interim of 1/- a/c 1915 C.No. 23
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$37	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar. 40	Nov. 37	37	{ \$1.70 per share, and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14
Refineries.									
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$95	20,000	\$100	all	95	Feb. 70	Nov. 95	93	{ \$3 for 1912
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$15	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan. 17	Dec. 15	14 1/2	{ \$3 for 1897
Mining.									
Kailan Mining Administration, Ltd.	32/-	1,000,000	£1	all	41/-	Feb. 33/6	Dec. 32/-	32/-	{ Final of 5% Coupon No. 4. making 10% for year end- ing 30/6/14
Ramb Australian Gold Min- ing Co., Ltd.	\$3.10	200,000	£1	all	3.10	Jan. 1.90	Nov. 3.10	3	{ 1/2 for 1909
Trench Mines Ltd.	25/6	160,000	£1	all	39/-	Feb. 19/6	Nov. 25/6	25/6	{ 1/- mak. 7/6 a/c. 1913
Docks, Wharves and Godowns, &c.									
Hongkong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$69	60,000	\$50	all	89	Jan. 73	Nov. 69	69	{ \$3.50 for year 1913
H'kong & W'poo D Co., Ltd.	\$57	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan. 53	Oct. 57 1/2	57 1/2	{ \$3 dividend for year 1913
Shanghai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	\$51	50,000	£100	all	60	July 50	Dec. 51	51	{ Tis. 5 for 1913
Shanghai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	\$91	60,000	£100	all	109	Jan. 82 1/2	Dec. 91	91	{ Interim of Tis 3 for 1913
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.									
Anglo French Lands	\$94	25,000	£100	£100	—	—	—	94	{ Tis. 6 on 29.2.10
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$124	12,000	\$50	25	128	July 120	Dec. 124	124	{ \$3.50 for half year ending 30/6/14
H'kong Land Investment Co.	\$110	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July 98	Nov. 110	110	{ \$3 for year ending 31/12/14
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$7 1/2	150,000	\$10	all	9 1/2	Jan. 7	Nov. 7 1/2	7 1/2	{ 50 cents for 1913
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$41	60,000	\$50	80	45 1/2	Jan. 44	Feb. 41	41	{ \$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	\$101	78,000	£50	all	98	Dec. 89	Oct. 101	101	{ Interim of 5 p.c. for year end- ing 30/6/13
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$68 1/2	12,500	\$50	all	73	June 66	Feb. 68 1/2	68 1/2	{ \$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14
H'kong Central Estates	\$95	10,000	\$100	all	—	—	—	95	{ \$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.									
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	\$131	20,000	£50	all	138	July 125	May 131	130	{ Tis. 12 for year ending 31/10/14
H'ngkong Cotton Co.	\$6.10	125,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	Mar. 7	June 6.10	6	{ 50 cents 31/7/08
Kung Yik	\$11 1/2	75,000	£10	all	14 1/2	Jan. 11	Mar. 11 1/2	11 1/2	{ Tis. 120 for year ending 30/11/14
Laou Kung Mow	\$7 1/2	8,000	£100	all	110	Feb. 70	May 75	72	{ Tis. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	\$84	40,000	£50	all	135	Feb. 70	Nov. 84	84	{ Tis. 10 for year ending 30/6/13
Miscellaneous.									
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	\$11	60,000	\$12	all	12	May 10	Dec. 11	11	{ \$1.20 for 1913
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$4	50,000	\$5	all	4.90	July 4	April 4	4	{ 6% for year ending 28.2.06
Do. (Spec. shares)	—	50,000	\$1	all	—	—	—	—	{ 70 cts. for 1913.
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	7.95	200,000	\$10	all	9	Jan. 7	Nov. 7.95	7.95	{ \$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14
Deiry Farm Company, Ltd.	\$35	40,000	\$7 1/2	6	39	June 35	Aug. 35	35	{ 40 cts. for 1911.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	5 1/2	400,000	\$10	all	6.90	Jan. 5	Dec. 5 1/2	5 1/2	{ \$1.80 per share for 1913
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$40	90,000	\$10	all	49	Jan. 36	Nov. 40	37	{ Interim of \$2 1/2 a/c 1914
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	\$190	6,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July 174	Dec. 190	190	{ \$2 for 1913
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$25	60,000	\$10	all	25	June 22	Apr. 25	25	{ Final div. of 6d. making 7d. per share for 1913
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	\$5.10	325,000	5/-	all	13/-	July 7/-	Feb. 5 1/4	5.10	{ Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913
Langkats	\$40	250,000	£10	all	64 1/2	Mar. 28	Dec. 40	40	{ 80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$10	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2	Jan. 9 1/4	June 10	10	{ None
Do. (New)	\$1	50,000	\$10	all	93 cts.	Jan. 75 cts.	Dec. \$1	\$1	{ \$1.50 for 1910.
Philippines Ld.	\$5	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	—	5	{ 35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	\$6	—	—	all	10	—	—	6	{ \$1.00, per share for year end- ing 31.12.1914
Societates Pulpes et Papier- series du Tonkin	\$20	13,200	\$50	all	—	—	—	20	{ 70 cts. for 1913
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$4	20,000	\$5	all	5.00	June 4	Nov. 4	4	{ 50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new shares for year ending 30.6.14
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$17	50,000	\$10	all	22 1/4	Feb. 17	Jan. 18	17	{ \$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14
Watson and Co., Ltd.	\$7	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April 6.80	Dec. 7	7	
William Powell, Limited.	\$6 1/2	2,1000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan. 6 1/2	Dec. 6 1/2	6 1/2	
S. C. Morning Post	\$29	6,000	\$15	all	20	June 29	Dec. 29	29	

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Selling	
T/T	1/9
Demand	1/9 1/16
30 d/s	1/9 1/16
60 d/s	1/9 3/16
4 m/s	1/9 1/16
T/T Shanghai	78
Private 30 d/s sight	
T/T Singapore	75 1/2
T/T Japan	85 1/2
T/T India	132

Demand India	132 1/4
T/T Bombay	
Demand Bombay	132 1/4
T/T Calcutta	
Demand Calcutta	132 1/4
Demand Manila	86 1/2
T/T San F'co & N.Y. 42	
Demand, New York 42 5/8	
T/T Java	106 3/4
T/T Marks	Nom.
Demand Germany	

T/T France	2.19 1/2
Demand Paris	2.20
On Haiphong	6 1/4% prem
On Saigon	6% "
On Bangkok	88
Buying	
4 m/s L/O	1.94 1/2
4 m/s D/P	1.94 1/2
6 m/s L/O	1.10 1/8
30 d/s S'ny & M. 1/10	
30 d/s San F'co & N.Y. 44 1/4	
4 m/s Marks	Nom.
4 m/s France	2.30 1/2
6 m/s do	2.35 1/2

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Hongkong, 22nd Oct. 1914

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.
Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 19,250,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Antung-Hsien, Bombay, Calcutta, Changchun, Dairen, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, Lyons, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yantai.
Agencies at: Nagasaki, Newchwang, Peking, Port Arthur, San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yantai, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be
ascertained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1914.

NOTES.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up...\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
(Rates and Particulars on ap-
plication.)

The Office of
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF
WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,
Undertaken and Executed:
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	
7.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M.	Every 15 Min.
10.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M.	" " "
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M.	" " "
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M.	" " "
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M.	" " "
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.	" " "
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.	" " "
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.	" " "
SUNDAYS.	
7.45 A.M. to 10.30 A.M.	Every 15 Min.
10.30 A.M. to 12.00 P.M.	" " "
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M.	" " "
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M.	" " "
2.00 P.M. to 3.00 P.M.	" " "
3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.	" " "
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.	" " "
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.	" " "
SATURDAYS.	
Extra Car at 11.00 P.M.	
By Arrangement at the Company's Office, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road.	

NEW MACAO HOTEL.

NOTICE.

Take notice that on and after
the 1st day of February, 1915, the
management of the above Hotel
will be carried on by L. W. Mak
in place of O. O. Moosa, and all
future correspondence and orders
must be signed by the said L. W.
Mak.
NEW MACAO HOTEL,
Macao.
Macao, 1st February, 1915.

BANKS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling
£1,500,000 at 2/-
= \$15,000,000
Silver\$18,000,000

Reserve Liability of

Proprietors\$15,000,000
COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Hon. Mr. D. Landale.—Chairman,
W. L. Patterson, Esq.—Deputy
Chairman.
S. H. Dodwell, Esq.,
G. T. M. Edkins, Esq.,
C. S. Gubbay, Esq.,
P. H. Holyoak, Esq.,
J. A. Plummer, Esq.,
Hon. Mr. E. Shellim.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. Stabb

MANAGER
Shanghai—A. G. Stephen.
London Bankers—London
County and Westminster
Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed:
On Current Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the
daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per
annum.

For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per
annum.

For 12 months, 4 per cent. per
annum.
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above
Bank is conducted by the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION
Rules may be obtained on ap-
plication.

INTEREST on deposits is al-
lowed on the minimum monthly
balances at 3 1/2 per cent. per an-
num.

Depositors may transfer at their
option balances of \$100 or more
to the Hongkong and

